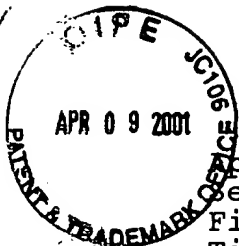


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- <X> SUPPLEMENT TO AMENDMENT FILED ON MARCH 26, 2001 (3 pages)
- <X> Replacement for page 3 (pages 3 and 3a)
- <X> Replacement for page 6 (page 6)
- <X> Clean set of all pending claims

( ) Enclosed is a check to cover the fee in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

(X) The applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to any Office Action outstanding in the above captioned matter as necessary to avoid abandonment of the application. Please charge my deposit account No.11-0224 in the amount required to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above account.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 35 U.S.C. 1.16, and 1.17, after a mailing of a Notice of Allowance under 35 USC 1.18 or any additional fees which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Acct. No.11-0224. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. If and only if account funds should be insufficient, immediately contact our associate, Lisa Zumwalt, at (703)415-0579, who will pay immediately to avoid deprivation of rights.

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A signature or signatures required for the above recited document(s) is (are) provided herebelow. Such signature(s) also provide(s) ratification for any required signature appearing to be defective in the above recited document(s).

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SUPPLEMENT TO AMENDMENT FILED ON MARCH 26, 2001

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

This is submission to Amendment filed on March 26, 2001 as a response to the Office Action mailed on October 26, 2000 and setting a shortened statutory period for response of three months to expire on January 26, 2001.

Applicants petition that, if required, the time for response be extended and the corresponding fee be charged. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Acct. No. 11-0224. Applicants further respectfully request that this response be accepted as a bona fide effort to meet any potential response requirements outstanding and due in the above captioned matter.



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On March 28, 2001 applicants filed Amendment which was prepared with compliance to the old procedures of amendment preparation. However, under the revised amendment practice amendments to the specification should be supplemented by a submission of a clean replacement paragraph(s), section(s), specification, or claim(s). The revised practice require applicants to provide, in addition to the clean version of a replacement paragraph/section/claim, a marked-up version.

In accordance with the new procedures applicants submit herewith separately the following:

- replacement for page 3 (pages 3 and 3a)
- replacement for page 6 (page 6)
- clean set of all pending claims

Reconsideration of all outstanding rejections is respectfully requested.

All claims as presently submitted are deemed to be in form for allowance and an early notice of allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

Herbert Gropp et al.

By:

  
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